



New Mexico Nutrient Criteria , Proof-of-Concept Paper and Beyond

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Jack -

I have been working with the state of New Mexico these past months on a nutrients criteria proof-of-concept paper as developed by Tetra Tech and funded by a small amount of funds provided by Tom Wall in the Office of Water. (I've believe that you have sat in on some of the calls and have read and commented on the original draft proof-of concept paper.) The proof-of-concept paper has been finalized with both good and bad aspects, with the bad being due to data and time (\$\$) limitations, but in recent weeks I've been working with the state in the development of a N-Steps application to fund additional work towards the development of numeric nutrient criteria/translators. We are at a juncture that we need your assistance in the scale of the request, i.e., should we be very specific in the Project Information (Section II) such as what you might see in a task order or is it best to be more general? Lastly, I realize that we are beyond the application deadline for 2013 but would you still entertain the application for this FY?

Sincerely yours,

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"Far better it is to dare mighty things, to win glorious triumphs, even though checkered by failure, than to take rank with those poor spirits who neither enjoy much nor suffer much, because they live in the gray twilight that knows not victory or defeat." ~ Theodore Roosevelt

"...and 'tis our fast [first] intent to shake all cares and business from our age [of our state]; Conferring them on younger strengths, while we unburden'd crawl toward death..." ~ William Shakespeare's King Lear, Act I

"In every free and deliberating society, there must, from the nature of man, be opposite parties and...dissensions and discords;..." ~ Thomas Jefferson, 1798